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TAGS: CVIS, PL, TH, VS (TRAN NGOC TAM AND FAMILY)

SUBJ: REQUEST FOR ASYLUM

REF: STATE 121541

1. TRAN NGOC TAM, VIETNAMESE AMBASSADOR TO THAILAND
12 MARCH 1926 MY THO, VIETNAM GVN DIPLOMATIC PASSPORT
NO. 2690

2. LU THI PHE, WIFE OF AMBASSADOR TAM 2 NOVEMBER 1938 MY
THO, VIETNAM GVN DIPLOMATIC PASSPORT NO. 2691

3. TRAN NGOC THAO, SON OF AMBASSADOR TAM 3 AUGUST 1963
SAIGON, VIETNAM GVN LAISSEZ-PASSER NO. 101/LS

4. AMBASSADOR TAM AND FAMILY HAVE SOUGHT AND BEEN REFUSED
ASYLUM IN THAILAND AND FRANCE. UNCHR HAS SHOWN NO DIS-
POSITION TO ASSIST.

5. AMBASSADOR TAM REQUESTS ASYLUM IN US FOR SELF AND FAMILY
ON BASIS OF EXPECTED PERSECUTION SHOULD THEY ATTEMPT TO
RETURN TO VIETNAM.

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6. THE AMBASSADOR, HIS WIFE AND YOUNGEST SON ARE IN BANGKOK. ONE SON, TRAN NGOC THUAN, BORN 14 NOVEMBER 1958 AT DALAT, VIETNAM IS A STUDNET IN SEATTLE, WASHINGTON, ONE DAUGHTER, TRAN THI NGOC YEN, BORN 30 DECEMBER 1956 AT SAIGON IS A STUDENT IN PARIS, FRANCE. HOWEVER, SHE IS NOT ELIGIBLE TO SPONSOR HER FAMILY FOR ADMISSION TO FRANCE. THREE OTHER CHILDREN TRAN THI NGOC TUYET, TRAN NGOC CHANH AND TRAN THI NGOC SUONG ARE PRESUMED TO BE IN SAIGON. AMBASSADOR TAM IS NOT SEEKING ASYLUM FOR THESE OTHER FOUR.

7. NO KNOWN OR ALLEGED CRIMINAL CHARGES PENDING.
NO KNOWN OR ALLEGED PIRACY AT SEA, AIR PIRACY OR HIJACKING.

8. NO PAST OR PRESENT AFFILIATION WITH ANY COMMUNIST PARTY OR FRONT ORGANIZATION, OR WITH ANY OTHER POLITICAL PARTY.

9. GOVERNMENTAL POSITIONS:

MILITARY SERVICE: 1947-1974, RETIRED WITH THE RANK OF LIEUTENANT GENERAL.

DIPLOMATIC SERVICE: JUNE 1972 TO PRESENT, VIETNAMESE AMBASSADOR TO THAILAND.

10. FINANCIAL RESOURCES: APPROXIMATELY \$80,000.

11. VISAS EAGLE SEPTTEL.
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